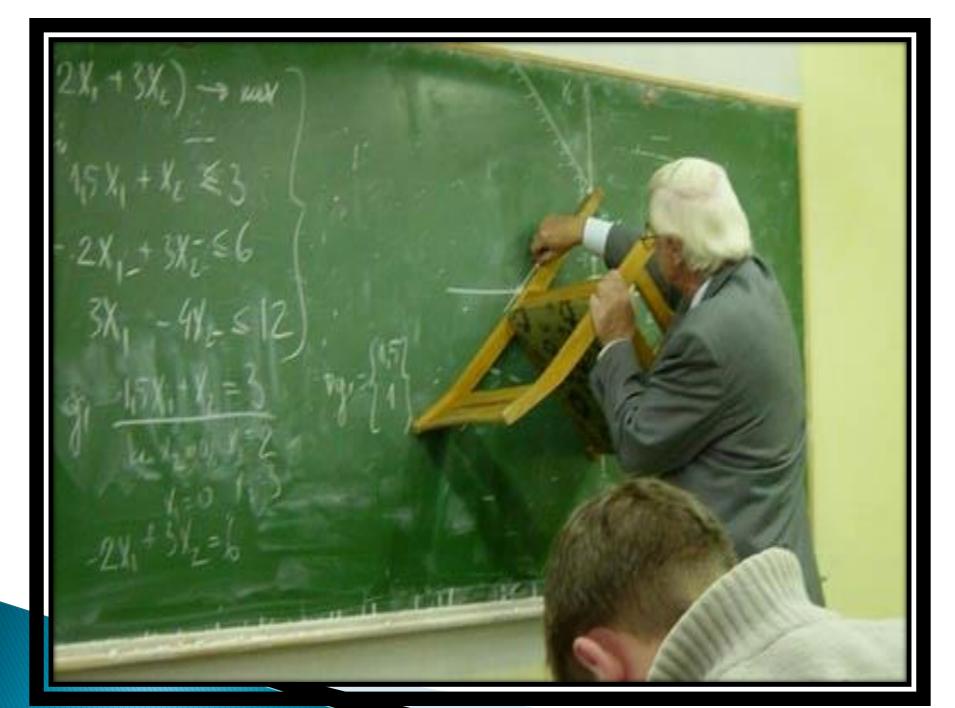


21st CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS

2013 Bidder's Workshop







Morning Agenda

- Idaho's 21st CCLC program overview
- New funding opportunity
 - Timeline
 - Application structure & requirements
 - Idaho's 21st CCLC guidance
 - Program evaluation and outcome measurement
- Questions & Discussion

Afternoon Agenda

- How to write a successful grant (101)
 - Needs Assessment
 - Goals and Objectives
 - Evaluation
 - Fiscal Needs/Budgeting
- Questions & Discussion

Opportunity

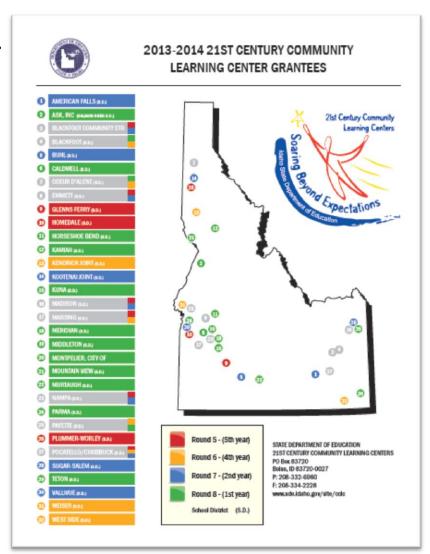
- A structured, high quality out of school time program is a powerful strategy to address academic failure, delinquent behavior, gang activity, drug use and rising prison populations.
- After school is the most critical time to engage youth in positive activities and is a unique setting to build resiliency, connectedness and capability.

Idaho's 2012-2013 Snapshot

- Number of Awards (Sites): 38
- Number of Centers: 98
- Students Served in: 8,525
- Regular Attendees: 5,045
- Community Partners: 317
- Total Staff: 1672 (694 or 42% were volunteers)

Idaho's 2013-2014 Snapshot

- Number of Awards (Sites): 42
- Number of Centers: 93
- Anticipated # of Students to be Served: 6,128



21st CCLC Mission Statement

 All 21st Century Community Learning Center participants thrive emotionally, academically and socially.

21st CCLC Vision Statement

- Idaho's 21st Century Community Learning Center programs are high quality and demonstrate safety, creativity and authentic youth engagement.
- Targeted academic enrichment meets students where they are and gives them the skills and encouragement to excel.
- Social, Cultural and Recreational enrichment is informed by participants and ignites imagination, play and creative problem solving.
- Ongoing Professional Development and meaningful involvement of all staff in program strategies lead to high retention and professionalism.

21st CCLC Vision Statement

- Families of participants are invested in, and actively support the program.
- 21st CCLC Communities are engaged in the program and recognize the value of structured afterschool activities which leads to sustainability.
- ▶ 21st CCLC programs efficiently and effectively manage their federal grant with high levels of fidelity and transparency and meet or exceed grant requirements.
- Grantees cultivate a vibrant, meaningful learning community with each other and the State Department of Education in which best practices are shared and common problem solving occurs.

Star Rating Outcomes 2013-2014

- ▶ 112 Program Feeder Schools
- 71% Increased or stayed the same from the previous year
- Star Rating Based On:
 - Achievement
 - Growth to Achievement
 - Growth to Achievement At Risk Subgroups
 - Post Secondary (High School Only)

Funding

2013 Federal Title IV B funding to Idaho:\$5.3 million

Funding available for 2014/2015 Competition:\$1.5 million



Timeline

- November Bidder's Workshops
- December 6 letter of intent due
- January 31 applications due
- February/March- applications rated
- April awards announced
- May 16 mandatory new grantee meeting
- July 1- grant period begins (programming)

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Purpose Of Funds (Goals)

- Provide academic and enrichment in an effort to reduce achievement gaps.
- Offer recreation, physical activity, social and cultural enrichment activities.
- Offer families of students served by community learning centers opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

Data Collected

- Teacher Surveys
 - Behavior
 - Homework Completion
 - School Attendance
 - Academic Performance
- Attendance at 21st CCLC Program
- Family Engagement/Parent Involvement
- Program Staffing
- Activities Provided

Data Collected cont.

- Student Data Grantee Responsibility
 - EDUID #
 - Student Characteristics
 - Race/Ethnic Group
 - Gender
 - Limited English Proficiency
 - Free or Reduced Eligibility
 - Special Needs or Disabilities
 - Grade
- Student Data State Responsibility
 - Standardized Test Scores

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Application Structure

- Three components:
 - Application part A (background, application instructions and format)
 - Application part B (forms)
 - Grant Guidance (federal statute, non-regulatory guidance, scoring rubric, sample documents, etc.)
 - Application can be found at <u>www.sde.idaho.gov/site/cclc/grants/htm</u>.

Absolute Priority (Deal Breakers)

- Serving students who attend schools that are eligible for Title 1 school wide programs, or
- At least 40% of the students in the school to be served must qualify for the free and reduced lunch program.
- For Multiple Centers 50% of the schools to be served must meet one of the priorities listed above.

Principles of Effectiveness

- Proposals must address:
 - 1) A needs assessment of objective data establishing the need for before and after school programs (including summer programs) and activities.
 - (make the case- social/academic)

Principles of Effectiveness cont.

 2) An established set of performance measures aimed at ensuring high quality academic enrichment and pro-social opportunities.

(what do you want to happen?)

Principles of Effectiveness cont.

- 3) If applicable, provide scientifically-based research that provides evidence that the program activities will help students meet the state and local academic achievement standards and improve social behavior.
- (proof that your plan will work)

Principles of Effectiveness cont.

- 4) Administer a program evaluation periodically to assess progress toward achieving the stated goals and objectives.
- (make sure your plan is working and adjust as necessary)

Competitive Priorities

- Target students who attend schools identified as one (1), two (2) and three (3) star schools for the 2013-2014 year under Idaho's ESEA Flexibility Wavier.
- Submitted jointly by at least one school building benefiting from 2012-2013 Title I, Part A funds and at least one public or private community-based organization (CBO), faithbased (FBO), public or private entity.
 - Note: Applicants that are unable to partner with a CBO, FBO, or private business within reasonable geographic proximity and of sufficient quality should document this situation, request a waiver of this requirement in this section, and, if justified, the applicant will be given the same priority points.

Competitive Priorities cont.

- Target students who attend schools that have an extreme poverty rate (60% or more of the building students qualified to receive free or reduced-cost meals) in 2012-2013.
- Have never received a 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant from the Idaho State Department of Education.
 - Note: These points will be awarded if the fiscal agent and/or organization overseeing grant activity have never received a 21st CCLC grant award from Idaho.

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Annual Award Amounts

- \$1.5 million is available for the current competitive grant process
- Five year grant cycle:
 - First two years funded at 100%
 - Third year funded at 90%
 - Fourth year funded at 80%
 - Fifth year funding at 70%

Grant Request Guidelines

- > \$72,000 minimum award
- > \$200,000 maximum
- ▶ The SDE aims to fund 7 10 new sites with the \$1.5 million available.
- SDE reserves the right to negotiate.

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Matching Funds

 Applicants must document at least a 30% in-kind or match funds for each year the grant is awarded.



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Allowable Activities

- Remedial education and academic enrichment activities;
- STEM (science, technology, engineering and math);
- Arts and music education;
- Entrepreneurial education;
- Service-learning activities;
- College and career readiness;
- Tutoring services and mentoring programs;

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Allowable Activities cont.

- Limited English Proficient activities;
- Physical activity;
- Telecommunications and technology education;
- Family engagement and family literacy;
- Activities for those students who have been truant, suspended, or expelled;
- Substance abuse / violence prevention education, counseling programs and character education;
- Health and mental health services.

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High Quality Program Characteristics

- Goal Setting, strong management, and sustainability
- Quality afterschool staffing (full time director),
- Attention to safety, health, and nutrition issues,
- Effective partnerships with community-based organizations, juvenile justice agencies, law enforcement, and youth

High Quality Program Characteristics (cont.)

- Strong involvement of families,
- Enriched learning opportunities,
- Linkages between school-day and afterschool personnel, and
- Evaluation of program progress and effectiveness.

Mandatory Budget Items

- Staffing
- Transportation
- Evaluation third year of program
- Staff Development
- SDE strongly recommends a full time director

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Advisory Board Requirement

- Develop a community advisory board to promote transparency.
- Include representation from:
 - Law enforcement
 - Elected Officials
 - Parents
 - Business members
 - Educational staff
 - Students
- Meet at least twice a yearPg. 17



SDE Review Process

- 16-25 afterschool stakeholders are recruited to rate grants (varied sectors and geography)
 - Six reviewers in teams of 5-6 to review each application
- Mandatory trainings
- Scores submitted to SDE and tabulated
- Day long meeting culminates in funding decisions

SDE Review Process

- Heavy emphasis is placed upon:
 - Meritocracy (favoritism, personal affiliation and hidden agendas are expressly forbidden and weeded out)
 - All assertions require proof
 - Confidentiality
 - Commitment to the process
 - Taking the time to do it right



Grant Application

- Part A Instructions
- Part B Forms

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